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## RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Certain documents listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 were cited as being relevant during the prosecution of a related International application, PCT/US2004/002007. A copy of the partial International Search Report setting forth the portion of each reference considered relevant by the examiner is attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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